

Dear Friend,

On Monday, October 4, the full House of Representatives passed my legislation to create the Ojito Wilderness Area. My bill, H.R. 3176 was wrapped into another piece of legislation, H.R. 4593, which the House passed by voice vote. This important legislation now goes to the Senate, where Senators Domenici & Bingaman have introduced companion legislation.

I am pleased this bill received a bipartisan seal of approval. Designating the Ojito Wilderness Area represents sound public policy. We are on the verge of protecting a new wilderness area in New Mexico for the first time in nearly two decades because we sought input from a broad range of stakeholders throughout New Mexico. I am proud we were able to pass it out of the House, and urge the Senate to agree to this language, sending it on to the President for his signature to make it law.

Please visit my website at <http://www.tomudall.house.gov/issues2.cfm?id=9649> for more information on this development.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. I hope you have found the information useful. Please watch your inbox for future updates.

Very Truly Yours,

Tom Udall